

## Claims Status

1. (Currently Amended) A multipurpose camping hook for supporting articles on a vertical support member ~~such as a post or a tree~~ and for performing ancillary functions at a site, said hook comprising: a unitary hook body having transversely spaced side surfaces, said hook body including a vertical base, an outwardly and upwardly projecting upper arm formed at an upper end of said base, an outwardly and upwardly projecting lower arm formed at a lower end of said base, and an outwardly and upwardly projecting middle arm formed at a center section of base said middle arm having an outer end merging and ~~merging at an outer end~~ with an outer end of said lower arm; a transverse opening formed in said hook body between said arms and said base ~~for receiving a connecting strap member for releasably attaching said hook body to said support member~~; a plurality of vertically spaced, outwardly and downwardly projecting triangular barbs formed on a rear surface of said base for mechanically engaging said support member and for performing scrapping functions at said site; and means terminating with a thin transverse tip at an outer end of said upper arm for functioning as a screw driver ; ~~a downwardly opening recessed notch formed in a lower surface of said lower arm; an transverse tip projecting inwardly to said notch thereby enabling receipt of a container cap in said notch and removal of said cap by said tip to perform an opening function at said site; and an aperture formed through said base between said upper arm and said middle arm for enabling attaching said hook member to said support member using a mechanical fastener.~~

Claims 2 – 10 (Canceled).

11. (New) The camping hook as recited in claim 1 including a forwardly opening recessed notch formed in a lower surface of said lower arm, and a sharp tip on said lower arm projecting inwardly into said notch for enabling removing of a cap on a container inserted into said notch.

12. (New) The camping hook as recited in claim 1 including an aperture formed through said base between said upper arm and said middle arm for enabling attaching said hook member to said support member using a mechanical fastener.

13. (New) The camping hook as recited in claim 1 wherein an elongated strap member is inserted through said opening, said strap member including closure means for wrapping around said vertical support to clamp said barbs against said vertical support to mount said unitary body thereon.

14. (New) The camping hook as recited in claim 13 wherein said closure means are adjustable for accommodating vary sized supports.

15. (New) The camping hook as recited in claim 14 wherein said closure means include a hook and loop fastener system.

16. (New) The camping hook as recited in claim 1 wherein said unitary body is formed of a metallic material.

17. (New) The camping hook as recited in claim 1 wherein said unitary body is formed of a plastic material.